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FOLLOWING REPEAT ASMARA 232 ACTION SECSTATE INFO
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QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L ASMARA 0232

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINS, CASC, ET
SUBJECT: TENNECO FIVE

REF: ASMARA 227, 219, 211

1. AN ELF MESSAGE OF 30 MARCH CONTAINED TWO IMPORTANT POINTS. 1) THAT THE ELF IS WILLING TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE IEG FOR RELEASE OF THEIR HOSTAGES, AND 2) THAT ANY RETALIATION AGAINST THE ELF OR THE VILLAGERS IN THE AREA WOULD JEOPARDIZE HOSTAGES. THE MESSAGE WAS RADIOED FROM A POLICE OUTPOST ON 3 APRIL, BUT ITS SUBSTANCE WAS GUARDED BY THE IEG UNTIL 6 APRIL. THE TENNECO FIVE HAS BEEN SIGHTED MOVING NORTH OF KEREN, ERITREA.

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2. AMEMBASSY ADDIS HAS INFORMED BOGAN OF THE ABOVE AND REQUESTED

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THAT HE NOTIFY UNDP, BUT STRESSED THAT THE PRESS SHOULD NOT
BE INFORMED. THE EMBASSY IS ALSO CONTACTING THE CANADIAN AMBAS-
SADOR REGARDING THE ABOVE.

3. ON 8 APRIL MR. WYMAN WILL CONTACT FOREIGN MINISTER, TO EXPRESS
USG'S UNHAPPINESS WITH FOOT DRAGGING IN HANDLING THE MESSAGE AND
2) TO CLARIFY IEG'S INTENTIONS ON HANDLING THE PROBLEM.
PERRY UNQUOTE RUSH

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